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Re: Filing of Supplemental Amendment  
U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/730,786  
Our Ref: NIS.029

Dear Examiner:

Enclosed please find a Supplemental Amendment which is in supplement to the Amendment filed herein on June 14, 2004, and in further response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2004, which should place the Application in condition for allowance. An Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter for four excess total claims is also enclosed.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,

  
Phillip E. Miller

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of**

Satoshi Mikami

**Serial No.:** 09/730,786      **Group Art Unit:** 2633

**Filed:** December 7, 2000      **Examiner:** Tran, Dzung

**For:** OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM INCLUDING A TRANSMISSION LINE  
COMPENSATING DEVICE THAT PRODUCES RAMAN AMPLIFICATION BASED  
UPON A CONTROL SIGNAL

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In supplement to the Amendment filed herein on June 14, 2004, and in further response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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